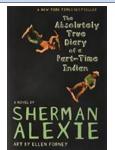
Banned Books List: Top 100 of the Decade (2010-2019)

The American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom has put together a list of the top 100 books that have been challenged from the past decade. Take a look at the list, see if we own it at the library, and celebrate your freedom to read whatever you'd like.

BOOK COVER

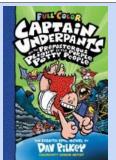
TITLE, CALL NUMBER & BRIEF DESCRIPTION



THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART-TIME INDIAN

Author: Sherman Alexie
Call Number: YA F ALEXIE

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.



CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS (SERIES)

Author: Dav Pilkey Call Number: J PILKEY

When George and Harold hypnotize their principal into thinking that he is the superhero Captain Underpants, he leads them to the lair of the nefarious Dr. Diaper, where they must defeat his evil robot henchmen.

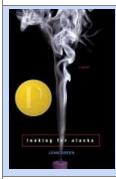


THIRTEEN REASONS WHY

Author: Jay Asher

Call Number: OverDrive eBook

Clay Jensen returns home from school to find a strange package with his name on it lying on his porch. Inside he discovers several cassette tapes recorded by Hannah Baker - his classmate and crush - who committed suicide two weeks earlier. Hannah's voice tells him that there are thirteen reasons why she decided to end her life. Clay is one of them. If he listens, he'll find out why. Clay spends the night crisscrossing his town with Hannah as his guide. He becomes a firsthand witness to Hannah's pain, and as he follows Hannah's recorded words throughout his town, what he discovers changes his life forever.



LOOKING FOR ALASKA

Author: John Green

Call Number: YA F GREEN

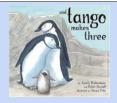
Sixteen-year-old Miles' first year at Culver Creek Preparatory School in Alabama includes good friends and great pranks, but is defined by the search for answers about life and death after a fatal car crash.



GEORGE

Author: Alex Gino Call Number: J GINO

When people look at George, they think they see a boy. But she knows she's not a boy. She knows she's a girl. Then her teacher announces that their class play is going to be Charlotte's Web. George REALLY wants to play Charlotte. But the teacher says she can't even try out for the part...because she's a boy. With the help of her best friend, Kelly, George comes up with a plan. Not just so she can be Charlotte -- but so everyone can know who she is, once and for all.

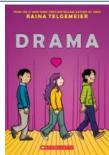


AND TANGO MAKES THREE

Author: Justin Richardson & Peter Parnell

Call Number: J 598.47 RIC

At New York City's Central Park Zoo, two male penguins fall in love and start a family by taking turns sitting on an abandoned egg until it hatches.

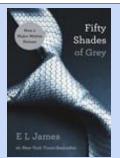


DRAMA

Author: Raina Telgemeier

Call Number: GN J TELGEMEIER

Callie rides an emotional roller coaster while serving on the stage crew for a middle school production of Moon over Mississippi as various relationships start and end, and others never quite get going.



FIFTY SHADES OF GREY

Author: E.L. James
Call Number: F JAMES

When Anastasia Steele goes to interview young entrepreneur Christian Grey, she encounters a man who is beautiful, brilliant, and intimidating. The unworldly, innocent Ana is startled to realize she wants this man. Unable to resist Ana's quiet beauty, wit, and independent spirit, Grey admits he wants her, too but on his own terms. When the couple embarks on a daring affair, Ana discovers Christian Grey's secrets and explores her own dark desires.



THE BLUEST EYE

Author: Toni Morrison Call Number: F MORRISON

It is the story of eleven-year-old Pecola Breedlove--a black girl in an America whose love for its blond, blue-eyed children can devastate all others--who prays for her eyes to turn blue: so that she will be beautiful, so that people will look at her, so that her world will be different. This is the story of the nightmare at the heart of her yearning and the tragedy of its fulfillment.



THE KITE RUNNER

Author: Khaled Hosseini Call Number: F HOSSEINI

The unforgettable, heartbreaking story of the unlikely friendship between a wealthy boy and the son of his father's servant, The Kite Runner transports readers to Afghanistan at a tense and crucial moment of change and destruction. A powerful story of friendship, it is also about the power of reading, the price of betrayal, and the possibility of redemption; and an exploration of the power of fathers over sons—their love, their sacrifices, their lies.



HUNGER GAMES

Author: Suzanne Collins
Call Number: YA SF COLLINS

In a future North America, where the rulers of Panem maintain control through an annual televised survival competition pitting young people from each of the twelve districts against one another, sixteen-year-old Katniss's skills are put to the test when she voluntarily takes her younger sister's place.

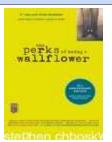


I AM JAZZ

Author: Jazz Jennings & Jessica Herthel

Call Number: J 306.768 HER

From the time she was two years old, Jazz knew that she had a girl's brain in a boy's body. She loved pink and dressing up as a mermaid and didn't feel like herself in boys' clothing. This confused her family, until they took her to a doctor who said that Jazz was transgender and that she was born that way. Jazz's story is based on her real-life experience and she tells it in a simple, clear way that will be appreciated by picture book readers, their parents, and teachers.

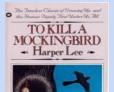


THE PERKS OF BEING A WALLFLOWER

Author: Stephen Chbosky

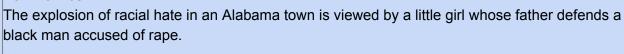
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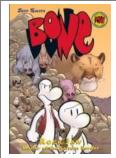
Most people think 15-year-old Charlie is a freak. But then seniors Patrick and his beautiful stepsister Sam take Charlie under their wings and introduce him to their eclectic, open-minded, hard-partying friends. It is from these older kids that Charlie learns to live and love.



TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD

Author: Harper Lee Call Number: F LEE





BONE (SERIES)

Author: Jeff Smith

Call Number: GN YA BONE

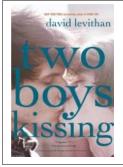
Now that they are reunited, Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Smiley Bone plan to return home, but Phoney Bone risks everything on a get-rich-quick scheme and it all goes wrong. Plus, a war is brewing and Fone Bone helps his new friends to defend their idyllic valley from a formidable enemy.



THE GLASS CASTLE

Author: Jeannette Walls Call Number: 92 WALLS

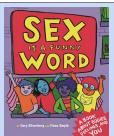
A remarkable memoir of resilience and redemption, and a revelatory look into a family at once deeply dysfunctional and uniquely vibrant. When sober, Jeannette's brilliant and charismatic father captured his children's imagination, teaching them physics, geology, and how to embrace life fearlessly. But when he drank, he was dishonest and destructive. Her mother was a free spirit who abhorred the idea of domesticity and didn't want the responsibility of raising a family.



TWO BOYS KISSING

Author: David Levithan
Call Number: HSU Holding

A chorus of men who died of AIDS observes and yearns to help a cross-section of today's gay teens who navigate new love, long-term relationships, coming out, self-acceptance, and more in a society that has changed in many ways.



SEX IS A FUNNY WORD

Author: Cory Silverberg

Call Number: eBook on Hoopla

An essential resource about bodies, gender, and sexuality for children ages 8 to 10. Much more than the "facts of life" or "the birds and the bees," Sex Is a Funny Word opens up conversations between young people and their caregivers in a way that allows adults to convey their values and beliefs while providing information about boundaries, safety, and joy.



ALICE MCKINLEY (SERIES)

Author: Phyllis Reynolds Naylor Call Number: J & YA NAYLOR

Alice has been through it all. Friendships, breakups, love...and we get to experience it all with her. Join Alice as she goes through high school, into college, and beyond. It includes the Alice bind-ups of her high school years, and the most anticipated finale, where you finally find out who "the one"



NINETEEN MINUTES

Author: Jodi Picoult
Call Number: F PICOULT

Set in a small town in the wake of a horrific school shooting, this book brings together lawyer Jordan, who represents a boy who desperately needs someone on his side, and Patrick, the intrepid detective whose best witness is the daughter of the superior court judge assigned to the case. As the story unfolds, layer upon layer is peeled back to reveal some hard-hitting questions about the nature of justice, the balance of power, and what it means to be different.



SCARY STORIES (SERIES)

Author: Alvin Schwartz
Call Number: J 398.2 SCA

Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark is a timeless collection of chillingly scary tales and legends, in which folklorist Alvin Schwartz offers up some of the most alarming tales of horror, dark revenge, and supernatural events of all time.



SPEAK

Author: Laurie Halse Anderson Call Number: YA F ANDERSON

A traumatic event near the end of the summer has a devastating effect on Melinda's freshman year in high school.



A BRAVE NEW WORLD

Author: Aldous Huxley

Call Number: Streaming Audiobook & University Holdings

Contains the text of Huxley's prophetic work and includes his discussion about social problems and the human condition since its publication.



BEYOND MAGENTA: TRANSGENDER TEENS SPEAK OUT

Author: Susan Kuklin
Call Number: 306.768 KUK

Author and photographer Susan Kuklin met and interviewed six transgender or gender-neutral young adults and used her considerable skills to represent them thoughtfully and respectfully before, during, and after their personal acknowledgment of gender preference. Portraits, family photographs, and candid images grace the pages, augmenting the emotional and physical journey each youth has taken.



OF MICE AND MEN

Author: John Steinbeck Call Number: F STEINBECK

An unlikely pair, George and Lennie, grasp for their American Dream. They hustle work when they can, living a hand-to-mouth existence. For George and Lennie have a plan: to own an acre of land and a shack they can call their own. When they land jobs on a ranch in the Salinas Valley, the fulfillment of their dream seems to be within their grasp.



THE HANDMAID'S TALE

Author: Margaret Atwood Call Number: F ATWOOD

This look at the near future presents the story of Offred, a Handmaid in the Republic of Gilead, once the United States, an oppressive world where women are no longer allowed to read and are valued only as long as they are viable for reproduction.



THE HATE U GIVE

Author: Angie Thomas

Call Number: YA F THOMAS

After witnessing her friend's death at the hands of a police officer, Starr Carter's life is complicated when the police and a local drug lord try to intimidate her in an effort to learn what happened the night Kahlil died.

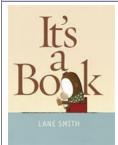


FUN HOME: A FAMILY TRAGICOMIC

Author: Alison Bechdel

Call Number: University Holdings

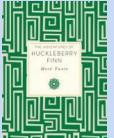
When her father dies unexpectedly, graphic novelist Alison dives deep into her past to tell the story of the volatile, brilliant, one-of-a-kind man whose temperament and secrets defined her family and her life. Moving between past and present, Alison relives her unique childhood playing at the family's Bechdel Funeral Home, her growing understanding of her own sexuality, and the looming, unanswerable guestions about her father's hidden desires.



IT'S A BOOK

Author: Lane Smith
Call Number: 817 SMI

A donkey with a laptop computer and a gorilla with a printed book discuss the merits of their preferred formats.

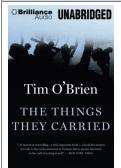


THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN

Author: Mark Twain

Call Number: J & F TWAIN

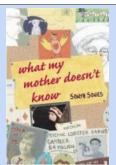
Presents the adventures of a boy and a runaway slave as they travel down the Mississippi River on a raft. Universally acclaimed as one of the greatest creations of American fiction, Adventures of Huckleberry Finn is one of those few books that are read over and over again, with ever increasing enjoyment.



THE THINGS THEY CARRIED ON

Author: Tim O'Brien
Call Number: F OBRIEN

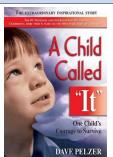
The Things They Carried depicts the men of Alpha Company: Jimmy Cross, Henry Dobbins, Rat Kiley, Mitchell Sanders, Norman Bowker, Kiowa, and the character Tim O'Brien, who has survived his tour in Vietnam to become a father and writer at the age of 43. It has become required reading for any American and continues to challenge readers in their perceptions of fact and fiction, war and peace, courage and fear and longing.



WHAT MY MOTHER DOESN'T KNOW

Author: Sonya Sones
Call Number: YA F SONES

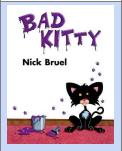
My name is Sophie. This book is about me. It tells the heart-stoppingly riveting story of my first love. And also of my second. And, okay, my third love, too. It's not that I'm boy crazy. It's just that even though I'm almost fifteen I've been having sort of a hard time trying to figure out the difference between love and lust. It's like my mind and my body and my heart just don't seem to be able to agree on anything.



A CHILD CALLED "IT"

Author: Dave Pelzer Call Number: 362.76 PEL

An account of one of the most severe child abuse cases in California history. It is the story of Dave Pelzer, who was brutally beaten and starved by his emotionally unstable, alcoholic mother: a mother who played torturous, unpredictable games that left him nearly dead. He had to learn how to play his mother's games in order to survive because she no longer considered him a son, but a slave; and no longer a boy, but an "it."

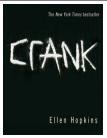


BAD KITTY (SERIES)

Author: Nick Bruel

Call Number: E & J BRUEL

Kitty is not happy when she's told her favorite foods are all gone and all that's left are asparagus, beets, cauliflower, dill, and 22 other equally unappealing vegetables. So she ate my homework, bit grandma, clawed the curtains, damaged the dishes, and so on, through Z. Only when tastier things arrive does she apologize to grandma.

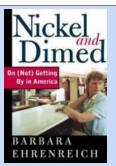


CRANK

Author: Ellen Hopkins

Call Number: Audiobook on Hoopla

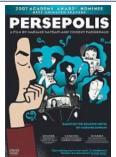
Kristina Georgia Snow is the perfect daughter: gifted high school junior, quiet, never any trouble. But on a trip to visit her absentee father, she meets a boy who introduces her to crank. At first she finds it freeing, but soon Kristina's personality disappears inside the drug. What began as a wild, ecstatic ride turns into a struggle through hell for her mind, her soul, and her life.



NICKEL AND DIMED

Author: Barbara Ehrenreich Call Number: 305.569 EHR

In 1998, Barbara Ehrenreich left her home, took the cheapest lodgings she could find, and accepted whatever jobs she was offered. Moving from Florida to Maine to Minnesota, she worked as a waitress, hotel maid, cleaning woman, nursing-home aide, and Wal-Mart sales clerk. She lived in trailer parks and crumbling residential motels. Very quickly, she discovered that no job is truly "unskilled," that even the lowliest occupations require exhausting mental and muscular effort.



PERSEPOLIS

Author: Marjane Satrapi

Call Number: GN F PERSEPOLIS

A memoir of growing up as a girl in revolutionary Iran, Persepolise provides a unique glimpse into a nearly unknown and unreachable way of life.



THE ADVENTURES OF SUPER DIAPER BABY

Author: Dav Pilkey Call Number: J PILKEY

George and Harold are in trouble again. As punishment, the boys have to write a 100-page report on "good citizenship," and they have been specifically ordered NOT to make another comic about Captain Underpants. So what do they do? They create an all-new superhero ... Super Diaper Baby! Super Diaper Baby's archenemy, Deputy Dangerous, wants to steal his powers and take over the planet. Will the diaper-wearing dynamo defeat the deputy, or is the entire Earth doomed?



THIS DAY IN JUNE

Author: Gayle E. Pitman Call Number: E PITMAN

A picture book illustrating a Pride parade. The endmatter serves as a primer on LGBT history and culture and explains the references made in the story.



THIS ONE SUMMER

Author: Mariko Tamaki Call Number: YA F TAMAKI

Rose and her parents have been going to Awago Beach since she was a little girl. It's her summer getaway, her refuge. Her friend Windy is always there, too. But this summer is different. Rose's mom and dad won't stop fighting, and Rose and Windy have gotten tangled up in a tragedy-in-the-making in the small town of Awago Beach. It's a summer of secrets and heartache, and it's a good thing Rose and Windy have each other.

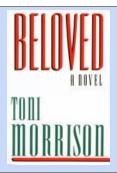


A BAD BOY CAN BE GOOD FOR A GIRL

Author: Tanya Lee Stone

Call Number: University Holdings

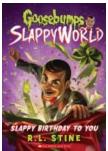
Josie, Nicolette, and Aviva all get mixed up with a senior bad boy. In a blur of high school hormones and personal doubt, each girl struggles with how much to give up and what ultimately to keep for herself. How do girls handle themselves? How much can a boy get away with? And in the end, who comes out on top? A bad boy may always be a bad boy. But this bad boy is about to meet three girls who won't back down.



BELOVED

Author: Toni Morrison
Call Number: F MORRISON

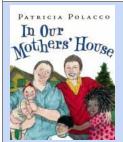
Sethe, its protagonist, was born a slave and escaped to Ohio, but eighteen years later she is still not free. She has too many memories of Sweet Home, the beautiful farm where so many hideous things happened. And Sethe's new home is haunted by the ghost of her baby, who died nameless and whose tombstone is engraved with a single word: Beloved.



GOOSEBUMPS (SERIES)

Author: R.L. Stine Call Number: J STINE

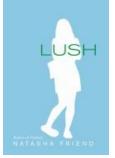
A collection of horror stories and chilling tales written for the juvenile demographic.



IN OUR MOTHERS' HOUSE

Author: Patricia Polacco
Call Number: J POLACCO

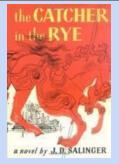
Three young children experience the joys and challenges of being raised by two mothers.



LUSH

Author: Natasha Friend Call Number: YA F FRIEND

It's hard to be a 13-yr-old girl. But it's even harder when your father's a drunk. It adds an extra layer to everything -- your family's reactions to things, the people you're willing to bring home, the way you see yourself and the world. For Samantha, it's something that's been going on for so long that she's almost used to it. Only, you never get used to it. Especially when it starts to get worse...

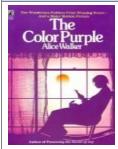


THE CATCHER IN THE RYE

Author: J.D. Salinger

Call Number: F SALINGER

Story of Holden Caulfield with his idiosyncrasies, penetrating insight, confusion, sensitivity and negativism. The hero-narrator of "The Catcher in the Rye" is an ancient child of sixteen, a native New Yorker named Holden Caulfield. Through circumstances that tend to preclude adult, secondhand description, he leaves his prep school in Pennsylvania and goes underground in New York City for three days.



THE COLOR PURPLE

Author: Alice Walker Call Number: F WALKER

An eloquent portrait of black women's lives that are sustained by faith, love, and trust in the face of brutality, poverty, and racism.



THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME

Author: Mark Haddon
Call Number: F HADDON

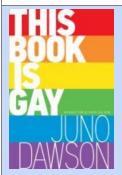
Narrated by a 15-year-old autistic savant obsessed with Sherlock Holmes, this dazzling novel weaves together an old-fashioned mystery, a contemporary coming-of-age story, and a fascinating excursion into a mind incapable of processing emotions.



THE HOLY BIBLE

Call Number: 220.52 BIB

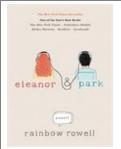
Celebrate special occasions with the gift of God's Word. Choose the perfect gift for any celebration in life--from graduation, confirmation, and awards to family and friendships--with Thomas Nelson's Gift Bible. Select from a variety of colors and bindings, all featuring bright, clean, and easy-to-read pages. Personalize your gift with the recipient's name on the cover for a Bible that will be cherished for years to come. Give the gift of God's Word... beautiful meaning, quality craftsmanship, and a timeless treasure.



THIS BOOK IS GAY

Author: Juno Dawson Call Number: 306.766 DAW

Lesbian. Bisexual. Queer. Transgender. Straight. Curious. This book is for everyone, regardless of gender or sexual preference. This book is for anyone who's ever dared to wonder. This book is for YOU.



ELEANOR & PARK

Author: Rainbow Rowell
Call Number: YA F ROWELL

Set over the course of one school year in 1986, this is the story of two star-crossed misfits--smart enough to know that first love almost never lasts, but brave and desperate enough to try.



EXTREMELY LOUD & INCREDIBLY CLOSE

Author: Jonathan Safran Foer

Call Number: F FOER

Nine-year-old Oskar Schell has embarked on an urgent, secret mission that will take him through the five boroughs of New York. His goal is to find the lock that matches a mysterious key that belonged to his father who died in the World Trade Center on the morning of September 11. This seemingly impossible task will bring Oskar into contact with survivors of all sorts of an exhilarating, affecting, often hilarious, and ultimately healing journey.



GOSSIP GIRL (SERIES)

Author: Cecily von Ziegesar
Call Number: University Holdings

Welcome to NYC's Upper East Side, where my friends and I live, go to school, play, and sleep - sometimes with each other. S is back from boarding school, and if we aren't careful, she's going to win over our teachers, wear that dress we couldn't fit into, steal our boyfriends' hearts, and basically ruin our lives in a major way. I'll be watching closely...You know you love me, gossip girl.

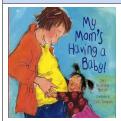


HOUSE OF NIGHT (SERIES)

Author: P.C. Cast

Call Number: YA F CAST

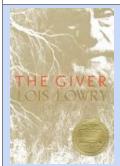
One minute, sixteen-year-old Zoey Redbird is a normal teenager dealing with everyday high school stress: her cute boyfriend Heath, the school's star quarterback who suddenly seems more interested in partying than playing ball; her nosy frenemy Kayla, who's way too concerned with how things are going with Heath; her uber-tough geometry test tomorrow. The next, she's Marked as a fledgling vampyre, forcing her to leave her ordinary life behind and join the House of Night, a boarding school where she will train to become an adult vampyre.



MY MOM'S HAVING A BABY

Author: Dori Hillestad Butler Call Number: J 618.2 BAI

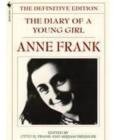
Elizabeth's mom is having a baby, and the whole family is involved. Elizabeth learns all about the baby's development, and she traces his growth, month by month. She learns how the baby got inside Mom, too.



THE GIVER

Author: Lois Lowry
Call Number: J LOWRY

Given his lifetime assignment at the Ceremony of Twelve, Jonas becomes the receiver of memories shared by only one other in his community and discovers the terrible truth about the society in which he lives.



ANNE FRANK: DIARY OF A YOUNG GIRL

Author: Anne Frank Call Number: 940.53 FRA

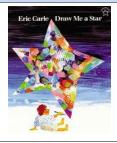
Compelling and candid, this diary introduced the world to a girl filled with the emotional concerns of a typical teenager, but living in stifling and terrifying circumstances.



BLESS ME, ULTIMA

Author: Rudolfo Anaya Call Number: F ANAYA

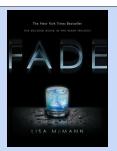
Antonio is six years old when Ultima comes to stay with his family in New Mexico. She is a curandera, one who cures with herbs and magic. Under her wise wing, Tony will probe the family ties that bind and rend him, and he will discover himself in the magical secrets of the pagan past. And at each life turn there is Ultima, who delivered Tony into the world.



DRAW ME A STAR

Author: Eric Carle
Call Number: E CARLE

An artist's drawing of a star begins the creation of an entire universe around him as each successive pictured object requests that he draw more.



FADE

Author: Lisa McMann

Call Number: YA F MCMANN

Using her ability to tap into other people's dreams, eighteen-year-old Janie investigates an alleged sex ring at her high school that involves teachers using the date rape drug on students.



THE FAMILY BOOK

Author: Todd Parr Call Number: E PARR

Represents a variety of families, some big and some small, some with only one parent and some with two moms or dads, some quiet and some noisy, but all alike in some ways and special no matter what.



FEED

Author: M.T. Anderson

Call Number: eBook on Hoopla

For Titus and his friends, it started out like any ordinary trip to the moon to party during spring break. But that was before the crazy hacker caused all their feeds to malfunction, sending them to the hospital to lie around with nothing inside their heads for days. And it was before Titus met Violet, a beautiful, brainy teenage girl who knows something about what it's like to live without the feed-and about resisting its omnipresent ability to categorize human thoughts and desires.



HOUSE OF THE SPIRITS

Author: Isabel Allende Call Number: F ALLENDE

A best seller and critical success all over the world, The House of the Spirits is the magnificent epic of the Trueba family -- their loves, their ambitions, their spiritual quests, their relations with one another, and their participation in the history of their times, a history that becomes destiny and overtakes them all.



JACOB'S NEW DRESS

Author: Sarah Hoffman

Call Number: eBook on Hoopla

Jacob loves playing dress-up, when he can be anything he wants to be. Some kids at school say he can't wear "girl" clothes, but Jacob wants to wear a dress to school. Can he convince his parents to let him wear what he wants? This heartwarming story speaks to the unique challenges faced by children who don't identify with traditional gender roles.

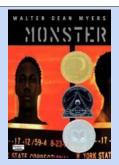


LOLITA

Author: Vladimir Nabakov

Call Number: University Holdings

Tells the story of the aging Humbert Humbert's obsessive, devouring, and doomed passion for the nymphet Dolores Haze. Lolita is also the story of a hypercivilized European colliding with the cheerful barbarism of postwar America. Most of all, it is a meditation on love—love as outrage and hallucination, madness and transformation.



MONSTER

Author: Walter Dean Myers

Call Number: eBook on Hoopla or YA F SIMS (Graphic Novel Adaptation)

While on trial as an accomplice to a murder, sixteen-year-old Steve Harmon records his experiences in prison and in the courtroom in the form of a film script as he tries to come to terms with the course his life has taken.



NASREEN'S SECRET SCHOOL

Author: Jeanette Winter

Call Number: University Holding

Based on a true story. After her parents are taken away by the Taliban, young Nasreen stops speaking. But as she spends time in a secret school, she slowly breaks out of her shell.



SAGA

Author: Brian K. Vaughan
Call Number: GN F SAGA V.1

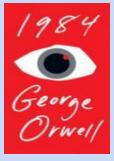
The sweeping tale of one young family fighting to find their place in the universe. When two soldiers from opposite sides of a never-ending galactic war fall in love, they risk everything to bring a fragile new life into a dangerous old world.



THE KINGDOM OF LITTLE WOUNDS

Author: Susann Cokal Call Number: F COKAL

On the eve of Princess Sophia's wedding the Scandinavian city of Skyggehavn prepares to fete the occasion with a sumptuous display of riches. Yet beneath the veneer of celebration, a shiver of darkness creeps through the palace halls. A mysterious illness plagues the royal family, threatening the lives of the throne's heirs, and a courtier's wolfish hunger for the king's favors sets a devious plot in motion.



1984

Author: George Orwell Call Number: F ORWELL

Winston Smith toes the Party line, rewriting history to satisfy the demands of the Ministry of Truth. With each lie he writes, Winston grows to hate the Party that seeks power for its own sake and persecutes those who dare to commit thoughtcrimes. But as he starts to think for himself, Winston can't escape the fact that Big Brother is always watching...

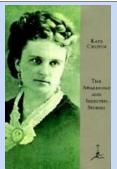


A CLOCKWORK ORANGE

Author: Anthony Burgess

Call Number: University Holdings

A vicious 15-year-old droog is the central character of this 1963 classic. In Anthony Burgess's nightmare vision of the future, where the criminals take over after dark, the story is told by Alex, who talks in a brutal invented slang that brilliantly renders his and his friends' social pathology. A Clockwork Orange is a frightening fable about good and evil, and the meaning of human freedom.



AWAKENING

Author: Kate Chopin Call Number: F CHOPIN

The Awakening shocked turn-of-the-century readers and reviewers with its treatment of sex and suicide. In a departure from literary convention, Kate Chopin failed to condemn her heroine's desire for an affair with the son of a Louisiana resort owner, whom she meets on vacation. The power of sensuality, the delusion of ecstatic love, and the solitude that accompanies the trappings of middle- and upper-class convention are themes of this now-classic novel.

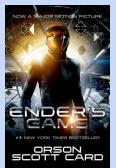


BURNED

Author: Ellen Hopkins

Call Number: eAudiobook on Hoopla

Raised in a stern, abusive Mormon household, a teenage girl starts to question her religion and struggles to find her destiny. Her father is abusive, her mother is submissive, and her church looks the other way. Confused and angry, Pattyn Von Stratten acts out and is sent to live with an aunt on a Nevada ranch. She finds the love and acceptance she craves, with disturbing consequences.



ENDER'S GAME

Author: Orson Scott Card Call Number: SF CARD

Once again, the Earth is under attack. An alien species is poised for a final assault. The survival of humanity depends on a military genius who can defeat the aliens. But who? Ender Wiggin is brilliant, ruthless, and cunning, a tactical and strategic master, and a child. Recruited for military training by the world government, Ender's childhood ends the moment he enters his new home: Battle School. How will Ender perform in real combat conditions? After all, Battle School is just a game. Isn't it?

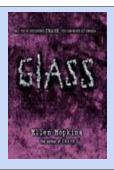


FALLEN ANGELS

Author: Walter Dean Myers

Call Number: University Holdings

Seventeen-year-old Richie Perry, just out of his Harlem high school, enlists in the Army in the summer of 1967 and spends a devastating year on active duty in Vietnam.

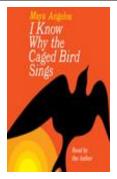


GLASS

Author: Ellen Hopkins

Call Number: eAudiobook on OverDrive & Hoopla

Crank. Glass. Ice. Crystal. Whatever you call it, it's all the same: a monster. And once it's got hold of you, this monster will never let you go. A sequel to Crank, this harrowing and disturbing look at addiction finds protagonist Kristina Snow thinking she can use drugs yet control the consequences. Now with a baby to care for, she's determined to be the one deciding when and how much, the one calling the shots.

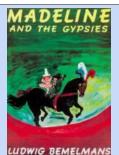


I KNOW WHY THE CAGED BIRD SINGS

Author: Maya Angelou

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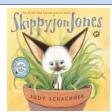
Maya Angelou's debut memoir is a modern American classic beloved worldwide. Her life story is told in the documentary film And Still I Rise, as seen on PBS's American Masters. Here is a book as joyous and painful, as mysterious and memorable, as childhood itself. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings captures the longing of lonely children, the brute insult of bigotry, and the wonder of words that can make the world right.



MADELINE AND THE GYPSIES

Author: Ludwig Bemelmans
Call Number: E BEMELMANS

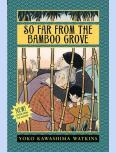
Pepito, son of the Spanish ambassador, and Madeline, rescued by gypsies during a storm, travel and perform with their wandering friends until they again find Miss Clavel.



SKYPPYJON JONES (SERIES)

Author: Judith Schachner
Call Number: E SCHACHNER

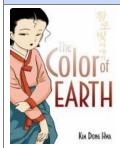
Skippyjon Jones is a Siamese cat with an overactive imagination who would rather be El Skippito, his Zorro-like alter ego.



SO FAR FROM THE BAMBOO GROVE

Author: Yoko Kawashima Watkins Call Number: eBook on Hoopla

In the final days of World War II, Koreans were determined to take back control of their country from the Japanese and end the suffering caused by the Japanese occupation. As an eleven-year-old girl living with her Japanese family in northern Korea, Yoko is suddenly fleeing for her life with her mother and older sister, Ko, trying to escape to Japan, a country Yoko hardly knows.

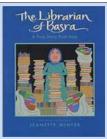


THE COLOR OF EARTH (SERIES)

Author: Tong-Hwa Kim

Call Number: GN YA COLOR

A young girl, growing up with her mother who owns a tavern, learns about life through village gossip, travelers and many questions.

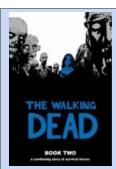


THE LIBRARIAN OF BASRA

Author: Jeanette Winter

Call Number: University Holdings

Alia Muhammad Baker is a librarian in Basra, Iraq. For fourteen years, her library has been a meeting place for those who love books. Until now. Now war has come, and Alia fears that the library--along with the thirty thousand books within it--will be destroyed forever.

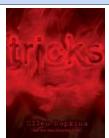


THE WALKING DEAD (SERIES)

Author: Robert Kirkman

Call Number: GN F WALKING DEAD

Police officer Rick Grimes and a few human survivors battle hordes of decomposing zombies.

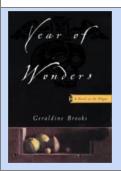


TRICKS

Author: Ellen Hopkins

Call Number: eAudiobook on OverDrive & Hoopla

A New York Times bestselling author delivers a gripping new work of verse that tells five moving stories that remain separate at first, then interweave to tell a larger, powerful story-a story about making choices, taking leaps of faith, falling down, and growing up.



YEAR OF WONDERS

Author: Geraldine Brooks
Call Number: F BROOKS

When an infected bolt of cloth carries plague from London to an isolated mountain village, a housemaid named Anna Frith emerges as an unlikely heroine and healer. Through Anna's eyes, we follow the story of the plague year, 1666, as her fellow villagers make an extraordinary choice. Convinced by a visionary young minister, they elect to quarantine themselves within the village boundaries to arrest the spread of the disease.